

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

by the

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 9 (WTR-5)  
75 Hawthorne Street  
San Francisco, CA 94105

**PUBLIC NOTICE NO.** MP-06-W-28

**DATE:** August 23, 2006

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 (USEPA), is issuing a notice of proposed action under the Clean Water Act (CWA). The USEPA is proposing to issue a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to:

Tasi Tours and Transportation, Inc.  
P.O. Box 501023  
Saipan, MP 96950

The NPDES Permit No. MP0020371 is for the proposed discharge of the Managaha Island Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), currently under construction in Managaha Island, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The facility will serve a population of up to 1,050, receiving only domestic sewage with a design flow of 0.005 million gallons per day. Plant construction is anticipated to be completed at the end of 2006. The WWTP will provide secondary treatment, and consists of an aerated activated sludge process with flocculation, settling and disinfection. Final treated effluent will be discharged from an ocean outfall designated Outfall No. 001 to the marine waters of Tanapag Harbor of the Philippine Sea. Any sampling and monitoring under the proposed permit shall be performed at Outfall No. 001.

The Administrative Record, including the permit application, draft permit, fact sheet, comments received (if any), and other relevant documents sent by the applicant for the permit, is available for review and may be obtained by calling or writing the contact listed below. Interested persons may submit written comments on the draft permit during the public comment period to contact listed below. All comments or objections received within 30 days from the date of this notice will be retained and considered in the formulation of the final determinations regarding the permit.

Upon issuance of a final permit decision and response to comments, the USEPA will notify the applicant and persons who submitted written comments or requested notice of the final permit decision. If no comments are submitted on the draft permit, the final permit will become effective three (3) days from the date of mailing. If comments are submitted on the draft permit, the final permit will become effective 33 days from the date of mailing, unless a petition is filed with the Environmental Appeals Board (EAB) to review any conditions of the final permit. Persons filing a request for review must have filed comments on the draft permit or participated in a public hearing.

When public interest warrants, USEPA may schedule a public hearing or may grant an extension of the comment period for the submittal of comments or objections.

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